

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) As per the information available, the production of the five principal crops namely, rice, ragi, jowar, maize, and

bajra in Karnataka State during Kharif 1996-97 is expected to be around 59 lakh tonnes.

(b) A statement giving advance estimates of production of foodgrains State-wise/Crop-wise for Kharif 1996-97 is enclosed.

STATEMENT

Statewise Advance Estimates of Production of Foodgrains of Kharif 1996-97

('000 tonnes)

State	Kharif Rice	Kharif Jowar	Bajra	Maize	Ragi	Small Mill-ets	Total Kharif Coarse Cereals	Total Kharif Cereals	Tur	Other Kharif Pulses	Total Kharif Pulses	Total Kharif Food-grains
Andhra Pradesh	6476	360	98	544	95	62	1159	7635	163	201	364	7999
Assam	3110			14			14	3124	6	10	16	3140
Bihar	6800	10	6	700	80	44	840	7640	75	110	185	7825
Gujarat	1000	222	1346	391	14	7	1980	2980	339	264	603	3583
Haryana	2350	30	750	50			830	3180	62	8	70	3250
Himachal Pradesh	140			730	5	11	746	886		20	20	906
Jammu & Kashmir	620		6	570		8	584	1204		18	18	1222
Karnataka	2382	563	232	1118	1604	40	3557	5939	215	287	502	6441
Kerala	855	3			1	2	6	861		14	14	875
Madhya Pradesh	6061	934	136	1072	5	251	2398	8459	409	262	671	9130
Maharashtra	2489	3548	1566	356	187	28	5685	8174	686	634	1320	9494
Orissa	4900	10	3	47	42	28	130	5030	112	268	380	5410
Punjab	7160		14	324			338	7498	10	55	65	7563
Rajasthan	164	303	1900	916		10	3129	3293	23	574	597	3890
Tamil Nadu	6273	339	482	46	328	47	1242	7515	82	107	189	7704
Uttar Pradesh	10400	400	1050	1510	200	150	3310	13710	600	190	790	14500
West Bengal	8595			107	14	14	135	8730	12	37	49	8779
Others	1500	5	5	167	12	39	228	1728	5	19	24	1752
All India	71275	6727	7594	8662	2587	741	26311	97586	2799	3078	5877	103463

Kaziranga National Park

1689. SHRI PINAKI MISHRA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the report captioned "Kaziranga, short of infrastructure, waits floods", appearing in the *Pioneer* dated, June 19, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts thereof and the financial assistance given by the Central Government for the development of the said National Park during each of the last three years; and

(c) the estimated population of Rhinos at present and the manner in which it compares with that of the 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN

PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The State Government of Assam have reported that they are facing a serious financial problem in maintaining the Kaziranga National Park, after the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on "Conservation of rhinos in Assam" was transferred to the State alongwith its resources in 1992-93. They have, therefore, requested for revival of the scheme in the Central sector which the Planning Commission has agreed to consider in the IX Plan. In the meantime, assistance has been provided to the State under another Centrally sponsored scheme for development of Kaziranga National Park, but out of Rs. 88.58 lakhs released to them in 1993-94, an amount of Rs. 47.80 lakhs is yet to be spent which has been revalidated for utilization during 1996-97. In addition an amount of Rs. 3.85 lakhs was provided during 1993-94 to the State Government for ecodevelopment around Kaziranga National Park. Due to inadequate utilisation of fund released from Government of India in 1993-94, no fresh release could be made in 1994-95 and 1995-96.

(c) The population of rhinos in the country as per 1995 assessment is 1566 as compared to the 1991 estimate of 1567.

Crimes on Delhi - U.P. Border

1690. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether murders/robberies on the Delhi U.P. Border are increasing;

(b) if so, the details thereof since September 1996;

(c) the number of crimes solved;

(d) whether the police of both the States is unable to trace the culprits; and

(e) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (e). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Manufacturing of Medicines by Bogus Factories

1691. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some bogus factories are manufacturing medicines in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such factories which came to light during the last six months;

(c) the steps taken to ensure closure of such bogus factories; and

(d) the number of cases launched against such bogus factories during the last six months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Pollution in Cities

1692. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the most polluted cities in India in chronological order along with their ranks among the world's polluted cities;

(b) the present level of pollution in each city;

(c) whether the Government have made any study in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to arrest the growing menace of pollution in the cities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) A report, "Global Pollution and Health", jointly prepared by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), has reported that with respect to levels of suspended particulate matter (SPM) in the ambient air; Delhi, Calcutta and Mumbai rank fourth, sixth and thirteenth respectively amongst 41 cities of the world. With respect to levels of sulphur dioxide, Delhi ranks 27th, Mumbai ranks 18th and Calcutta ranks 37th amongst 54 cities in the world.

(b) to (d). The Central Pollution Control Board is monitoring the levels of major air pollutants under the National Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Programme, through a network of 290 monitoring stations covering 92 cities/towns in the country. Monitoring data with respect to the annual average concentrations of the major air pollutants in the major cities is given below:

City	Suspended particulate matter		Sulphur dioxide		Nitrogen dioxide	
	I	R	I	R	I	R
Delhi	H	C	L	M	L	H
Mumbai	M	C	M	L	M	M
Calcutta	L	C	L	C	C	C
Chennai	M	M	M	L	L	L
Hyderabad	M	H	L	L	L	M
Ahmedabad	M	C	L	H	L	L
Cochin	L	M	L	L	L	L
Nagpur	L	C	L	L	L	L
Pune	M	H	L	L	L	M
Lucknow	H		L		L	
Kanpur		C	L	L	L	L

Note : I=Industrial, R=Residential, H=High, C=Critical, M=Moderate, L=Low

(e) The steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent and control pollution in the cities include the following :

- (i) Standards for ambient air quality, noise levels have been notified for different areas, such as industrial, commercial, residential. Water quality of surface waters for different uses have been prescribed;
- (ii) Standards for emissions and effluents from categories of water and air polluting industries have notified. Industries have been directed to comply with the prescribed standards on a time-bound basis.
- (iii) It has been made mandatory for major industrial and other activities to obtain environmental clearance based on impact assessment studies prior to site selection.